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Minutes of Meeting

**Auto Damage Appraisers Licensing Board – February 21, 2007
Marlboro, MA**

Members Present:

Gilbert W. Cox, Jr., Chairman, Law Offices of Gilbert W. Cox
Bruce S. King, King Collision
David E. Krupa, Safety
Donald R. Spinelli, Premier
Joe Valarioti, Central Auto Rebuilders

Robert Kelly, Esq.
Yvonne Torres, Secretary.

Discussion of Minutes

Legal analysis on labor rates submitted by Attorney Kelly. Following discussion by Board members based on Mr. Kelly's research and recommendation, Spinelli moved to dismiss complaint 2006-28. Seconded by Krupa. Passed 3-1

Discussion of procedures necessary to amend the Board's regulation. Attorney Kelly reported that the proposed language changes have been submitted to the Legal Dept. of the MA Division of Insurance for review and approval. Once the legal dept. reviews the proposed changes they will forward them to the Office of Consumer Affairs and then they go to the Office of Administration and Finance for approval.

After discussion of the previous minutes and request for an amendment to page 3
*(change Central Auto Rebuilders to Central MA Autobody Rebuilders Association),
Spinelli made a motion to accept the January 22, 2007. Valarioti seconded. Passed 4-0.

Report on licenses

Yvonne Torres reported the following:

5,260 Active Licenses; **247** Pending Renewal; **31** new applications; **7** Part I retakes; **36** on the waiting list for Part II

Part II Examination

King made a motion that the Board set up an Exploratory Committee to review the current testing process. Spinelli seconded. 3-0 Vote

The Chairman created a subcommittee consisting of 8 members to look into the current testing process used to issue new licenses and explore how to improve the system. They will look into whether or not to combine the Part I and Part II exams currently used and have one test. The subcommittee will meet for approximately four months, 2x per month. Cox appointed Don Spinelli as the Chairman and also appointed the following individuals: Bruce King, Sue Conena, Frank DeSario, Mike Moran, Dennis LaFleur, Tom Ricci and Gil Cox, Ex-Officio.

Proceedings recorded by:

John Joyce of Commerce Ins. Co. (Audio/Video)

Thomas Colo, Advanced Auto Body (Audio/Video)

Complaints (Step 2)

2006-42 – Sullivan v. Trent

King made a motion to dismiss. Seconded by Spinelli. Passed 3-1.

2006-43 – Sullivan v. Moulding

Spinelli recused himself from voting because the complaint involved Premier.

Valarioti moved to informal. Seconded by King. Failed 2-2 vote.

Krupa made motion to dismiss. Seconded by Cox. 2-2. Complaint in limbo and shall be kept on file.

Cox moved to reconsider moving the complaint to informal stage.

Valarioti moved to informal. Seconded by King. Passed 3-1.

2006-44 – Carney v. Connelly

King moved to dismiss. Seconded by Spinelli. 3-0 vote

Other Business

Progressive requests for temporary licenses for: Rodney Wright and Alexander Estringer

King moved to issue 90-day temporary license for both applicants. Seconded by Spinelli. Passed 3-0.

Colo submitted a request for Executive Session Minutes under the Freedom of Information Act

Agenda for Next Meeting

Damage Reports

A roll call was taken to go into Executive Session to discuss the reputation of an individual who applied for a license.

Passed 4-0.